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## TO GET WIFIE'S DAUGHTER AND SHEEP INDIAN MAKES HIS BROTHER MURDER HER

Wanting his wife killed so he could get her property and marry her daughter by a former husband, Teddy Johnson, Navajo Indian near Leupp, hired his brother, Luke Johnson, to commit the crime, according to the latter's confession. He choked the woman to death on the night of May 20.

The murderer, 23 years old, is fairly well educated. The victim, a Moqui Indian, named Betah Ah Ni Bitsui, owned a lot of sheep and goats. This is according to Indian custom, the squaws owning the sheep and goats, the males the other animals.

Teddy Johnson already had two wives living close together. But he coveted his step-daughter, the grown daughter of the murdered woman. The latter refused to permit any such arrangement, so, according to Teddy's brother, Luke, the latter was the unwilling tool used to remove the obstacle. Luke made two confessions, each before witnesses, and they were substantially the same. He is in jail here, his brother a fugitive. This is the confession:

"Luke Johnson, being first duly sworn, deposes and says: That on Saturday night, the 20th day of May, 1922, about the hour of midnight, he killed Betah Ah Ni Bitsui, by choking her to death as she slept in her hogan. That this happened in the hogan of Teddy, his brother, and husband of the woman. That Teddy, his brother, asked him to kill his wife, the said Betah Ah Ni Bitsui, about 30 days before he did so. That his brother Teddy asked him a number of times to kill Betah Ah Ni Bitsui. That he, the said Luke Johnson, was at a sing two days helping around. That his brother came to the sing about noon of the second day. That he, Luke Johnson, suspected his brother wanted him to go and kill his wife, Betah Ah Ni Bitsui, and he avoided him. That night, the third of the sing, while he (Continued on Page Eleven)

## MEMORY OF SOLDIER DEAD HONORED BY ALL OF FLAGSTAFF

The nation's and our own soldier dead were reverently remembered in appropriate exercises on Tuesday, first at the Orpheum theatre, where every seat was filled; then at the cemeteries, where further exercises were held, the graves decorated with flowers and flags by the school children and veterans, and a salute fired from the French 75s of Battery "D," which had turned out in full uniform with horses, guns and caissons.

The procession formed first at the courtyard, under Howard Marine, marshal of the day. Veterans of the Civil War, of the Spanish-American and the last war, with the American Legion, Battery "D," the Women's Auxiliary of the American Legion, the Woman's Relief Corps and the children of Emerson, Erannan and St. Anthony's schools, marched to the Orpheum.

At the Orpheum, the veterans of the Civil War—S. B. Gilliland, chairman of the day; W. H. Peirce, Thos. Lockett, J. C. Milligan, Ben Doney and Jimmie Haley, Mr. Marine, Mrs. F. A. Morse, president of the Woman's Auxiliary; Captain J. B. Wright, Rev. H. H. Gillies and Dr. L. B. McMullen, president of the Normal school, took seats on the stage.

The program follows: Prayer, by Rev. H. H. Gillies. "Lincoln's Gettysburg Address," by Captain J. B. Wright. Flag drill, kindergarten class of Emerson school.

Song, Emerson school children, directed by Mrs. Clara Davis Truman. "America" and flag salute, Brannen school children.

"Berceuse" (from opera of Jocelyn), Orpheum orchestra. Address, Professor L. B. McMullen. Songs, St. Anthony's school children.

Songs, N. A. N. S. Girls' Glee club, directed by Professor C. V. Ridgely. "Star Spangled Banner," audience.

Dr. McMullen's address was a clean-cut exposition of our patriotic duties as citizens, in which the prevailing notes were the thought that our form of government, no matter how successful it seems to have been, is still an experiment the continued success of which depends upon our people, and the fact that if we take our citizenship too lightly and without proper appreciation of its responsibilities it is largely because it is conferred upon us too casually, without the emphasis and ceremony that should accompany the bestowal of such a boon; an emphasis and ceremony that is never lacking in initiation into any secret, benevolent or religious order, yet is entirely left out in initiation into full citizenship, whether those rights are gained by reaching the age to vote or by naturalization.

Most of the stores and the banks and public offices were closed all day. It was a full day, for the Memorial exercises were followed by a circus performance that afternoon and evening and a baseball game in the afternoon between Ash Fork and Flagstaff.

## ROTARY CALLS ON ALL TO INVEST MONEY IN FLAGSTAFF BOYHOOD

Who'll buy stock in Flagstaff's boyhood, a sure-thing big dividend-paying investment in building our boys into real men?

This is what the Flagstaff Rotary club asks, and every person here will soon have the opportunity to make the investment.

Scout Executive L. R. Wilton, engaged to take charge of the work in this and Navajo and Apache counties during the rest of this year, was the principal speaker at Tuesday's Rotary meeting.

Wilton, with three service stripes won during the late war, is a young, earnest, hard-hitting fellow, full of pep. His talk was inspiring and to the point. The Boy Scout organization is not a reformatory, but a formative, he said. There is no such thing as a bad boy. All boys have good in them and all they need to develop it until good predominates in their character is an older friend to guide and counsel them. Like the opal, lustreless until warmed by the human hand, the boy needs the warmth of the human hand to bring him out in his true color.

Wilton believes at least ten troops should be organized this year in the three counties. That means 200 boys, and also that more than 40 men must earnestly take hold and help, in actual work, as scout masters, members of courts of honor to be organized in each city, deputy commissioners, expert examiners, etc.

The meeting opened with song, with Johnny Kennedy at the piano. President L. B. Koch announced that W. R. McClurken will go to Grand Canyon early today, preceding several other members who will go today or tomorrow to greet the many hundreds of eastern Rotarians visiting the Canyon on their way to the International Rotary convention in Los Angeles. The lumber for the Flagstaff Rotary booth had already been shipped to the Canyon.

The president then turned the meeting over to Dr. M. G. Fronske, chairman for the day, who called upon John Q. Thomas to read the "Perfect Tribute" to Abraham Lincoln. Followed the singing of America, and then the reading of the minutes of last Wednesday night's Boy Scout organization meeting by Fred Lusk.

C. J. Carlson, of Los Angeles, deputy regional scout executive, then addressed the club, complimenting it on the fine start made in organizing the Scout movement here. He said that since last Wednesday night, Williams, Winslow and Holbrook had each been organized as part of this central organization, Boy Scout committees having been chosen in each place. Winslow to have three members on the district executive board, Williams and Holbrook each two. Each town will function by itself as far as local problems are concerned, but all are tied together in the district executive board, headquartered here, by which all general policies must be sanctioned.

This is the largest Boy Scout district in the United States, comprising (Continued on Page Five)

## SATURDAY EVENING POST WOULD STILL HAVE US RESERVED AND PRESERVED

The following is taken from the editorial page of the Saturday Evening Post of May 27th:

"We have just received the following resolution, which we are glad to publish:

"FLAGSTAFF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE,

"Flagstaff, Arizona

"The following resolution is respectfully submitted by the Flagstaff Chamber of Commerce:

"Whereas, Agitation has been raised in an attempt to prevent the sale of a large tract of timber in the Tusayan National Forest, on the basis that the cutting of this timber will detract from the scenic beauty of the Grand Canyon; and

"Whereas, No timber will be cut close to the highways leading to the park, and, furthermore, since the timber along Desert View road is not included in the sale area and only mature timber will be removed, allowing the thrifty young trees to remain as a basis for a second crop of timber; and

"Whereas, The sale of this timber will mean a direct return in receipts to Coconino County of some \$80,000 in addition to other returns resulting

from the manufacture of at least \$4,000,000 worth of lumber;

"Therefore Be it resolved that the Chamber of Commerce of Flagstaff go on record as opposing all efforts made to prevent the sale of this tract of timber and heartily endorsing the sale thereof.

"CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OF FLAGSTAFF, ARIZONA.

"By T. A. Stahl, President."

"The forest referred to in this resolution is the first of those adjacent to the Grand Canyon to be marked for the ax. But the others will follow in the natural course of events, including the magnificent woodland on the north rim, which Emerson Hough has advocated setting aside in perpetuity as the President's Forest. So strong has been the pressure of local interests with eyes on this timber that the bill providing for setting aside the President's Forest covers only one-third of the desired area, and even this has small chance of passing. "Apparently eighty thousand dollars looks big at this time, but we believe the sum to be an insignificant fraction of what the timber lying adjacent to the Grand Canyon is worth. (Continued on Page Eleven.)

## BEAR AND BULL KILL EACH OTHER IN FIGHT

Walter Van Deren was in yesterday from his ranch near Sedona on Oak Creek.

"On the roundup of cattle on Dry Creek," said Mr. Van Deren, "west of Sedona, the other day, cowboys came across the dead carcasses of a bull and monster bear that evidently had put up a thrilling fight to death. The surrounding ground and bushes were evidence that the fight had been a terrific one. The bodies of both contestants were badly mangled. It was thought the big fight must have taken place a couple of months before being found, as they were badly decomposed. There has been a monster bear killing cattle in that section of the country for several years and the old bull that put him out of the way at the cost of his own life is entitled to a medal of honor from the cattlemen," declared Mr. Van Deren.

## ASH FORK SWATERS RAISE THUNDER WITH OUR ALMOST IS-ITS

Ash Fork breezed in Tuesday noon, motored to the ball park, and trimmed the new Flagstaff team, 16 to 6. Considering that it was the first game played together by the local boys, the game was not bad. When a few changes in positions are made and the boys have a little more practice it is a safe bet that they will be harder to beat.

It is hoped to soon have both Charlie Gray and Gus O'Connor, both stars here year before last, up here in a few days. With a few week places in our line-up filled, look out.

The Ash Fork team has been strengthened and have a good all-around team, their infield being fast and outfield lively.

Carlson of Flagstaff, made a home run, and Cook, Collins and Rupe each made the circuit of the bases for Ash Fork.

Hagle for the home team struck out 5, gave two bases on balls and hit three batsmen.

Webb of Ash Fork struck out seven and gave four bases on balls. Flagstaff made 11 hits and nine errors; Ash Fork 17 hits and two errors.

The line-up: Flagstaff. Amos ss, Ash Fork. Cook ss, Mackey cf, Beauty cf, Browning 2b, Chevalier 2b, Carlson c, Marcos c, Warnock lf, Pritchard lf, Lewis 1b, Collins 1b, Montgomery 3b, Mansfield 3b, Hagle p, Webb p, Johnson rf, Rupe rf. Umpires: Haynes and Mitchell.

## TIMES DUE TO BE BETTER THAN NORMAL THIS SUMMER

The new house David Babbitt is building in the northeast part of town is fast nearing completion. Peter Michelbach is building a handsome new home in the west end of town on the site of his old one. Buel Hyde is making plans for building two or three new bungalows near his apartment house. Others are talking seriously of building, and, within a few weeks, it is likely there will be a home-building boom on, which supplemented by the Elks, Knights of Columbus and high school buildings and the extensive street paving program will help make things livelier here this summer than before in years.

Tourist business is steadily increasing. All our mills are running, in some cases the men getting long overtime pay nearly every day in the week. While Flagstaff never was as hard hit by the business depression as other towns in the southwest, indications now are that this summer will find times here even better than normal.

## AUTO CALVACADE OF SHRINERS HERE EN ROUTE TO HONOLULU

With a big white Nash as pilot car, the advance section of Shriners traveling by auto to the coast to embark for the annual convention at Honolulu reached here yesterday noon, and after a short stay for refreshments, left for Grand Canyon, to spend the night. They will leave here today on their way to California.

Many other cars that joined the calvacade from the east, dropped out, their passengers to go on by train, and several cars, delayed, are still to come through. In the lot that arrived yesterday were cars from Washington, D. C.; Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; Minneapolis, Minn.; Des Arc, Ark.; Fletcher, Okla.; Charleston, W. Va.; Lincoln and Omaha, Neb.; Carrollton, Mo.; Boston, Mass.; Pierre, S. D.; Los Animas, Colo.; and Palo Alto, Calif.; the latter having met the calvacade in the east and turned back.

Additional local news on pages 6-7; society, page 5; Normal, page 2.

## OUR SAWMILLS RECEIVE LARGE LUMBER ORDERS

Announcement that the Magma Arizona Railroad company has placed an order with Arizona mills for 3,500,000 feet of Arizona pine ties for use in constructing its new standard-gauge railway from Magma Junction to Superior was made Monday by the Arizona Industrial congress. The order amounts to about 200 carloads and is the largest placed in the state this year.

News that the Magma order had been placed with Arizona mills followed closely on the announcement from the congress that the United Verde Copper company had ordered 40 cars of mining timber from the state's mills. This was the first large order from the mines in more than a year. Both the Magma railroad and United Verde company are members of the congress.

John A. Johnson, of Johnson & Koch, the only wholesale lumber firm in the state, in commenting on the heavy orders reported that the situation in the lumber industry of the state has improved tremendously since the first of the year. This is due to the general improvement in business conditions, and to some extent to the efforts of the Industrial congress in promoting the use of Arizona products.

The mills of the Arizona Lumber and Timber company, the Saginaw-Manistee Lumber company, the Flagstaff Lumber Co., and the Apache Lumber company are already operating, and the second mill of the Arizona Lumber and Timber company resumed operations yesterday. These five mills produce 95 per cent of the timber output of the state, which averages 160,000,000 feet a year.

In addition to the Magma and United Verde orders, the Industrial congress reports that Twoby Brothers Construction company, which is building Maricopa County's highway program and carrying on other work, is buying Arizona lumber through retail yards at the rate of about 60 cars a year.

The importance of the state's lumber industry is shown in figures given by Mr. Johnson. The five big mills, at Flagstaff, Williams and Cooley, employ normally about 3,000

men, with 9,000 dependents. The annual payroll of the Arizona mills amounts to \$2,500,000, and total ex- (Continued on Page Six)

## LAZY NINE AGAIN TOO MUCH FOR BABBITTS' HARD WORKING BUNCH

For the second time the Babbitt nine met defeat at the hands of the Lazy Nine, this time by 12 to 9. The game was played Sunday afternoon.

It was a good game from the spectators' standpoint, especially the fifth inning, the Babbitt nine scoring six runs in that inning, almost tying the score.

The sun interfered with the fielders' eyes to some extent, causing them to misjudge several flies that would have been sure outs.

Henderson Warnock made the circuit of the bases on a clean hit to right field.

The Lazy Nine made 8 hits and 4 errors; Babbitt's, 4 hits and 4 errors. Yost struck out 11 men and gave 6 bases on balls; Hanley had 4 strikeouts to his credit and gave 7 bases on balls.

The line-up: Lazy Nine. Babbitt's. McClurken rf, Phelan, Hudson. Neher ss, McClure. Amos 3b, Rickel. Browning c, Carlson. Osler cf, Jakle. Mackey 2b, Montgomery. Yost p, Hanley. Turpin 1b, Warnock. Johnson lf, Fleck. Umpires: Decker and Evers.

## GENTRY BROS. CIRCUS SHOWED HERE TUESDAY

The circus showed here Tuesday. Adults and children were amused by the clowns, the wonderful intelligence exhibited by the ponies and dogs, the remarkable training of the elephants and monkeys. We are all children of a larger growth and we all enjoyed the smell of the sawdust, the pink lemonade and the taste of the peanuts, to say nothing of the excellent program given, demonstrating to what efficiency animals can be trained.

## NOW WHAT LADY LOST HER CORK LEG?

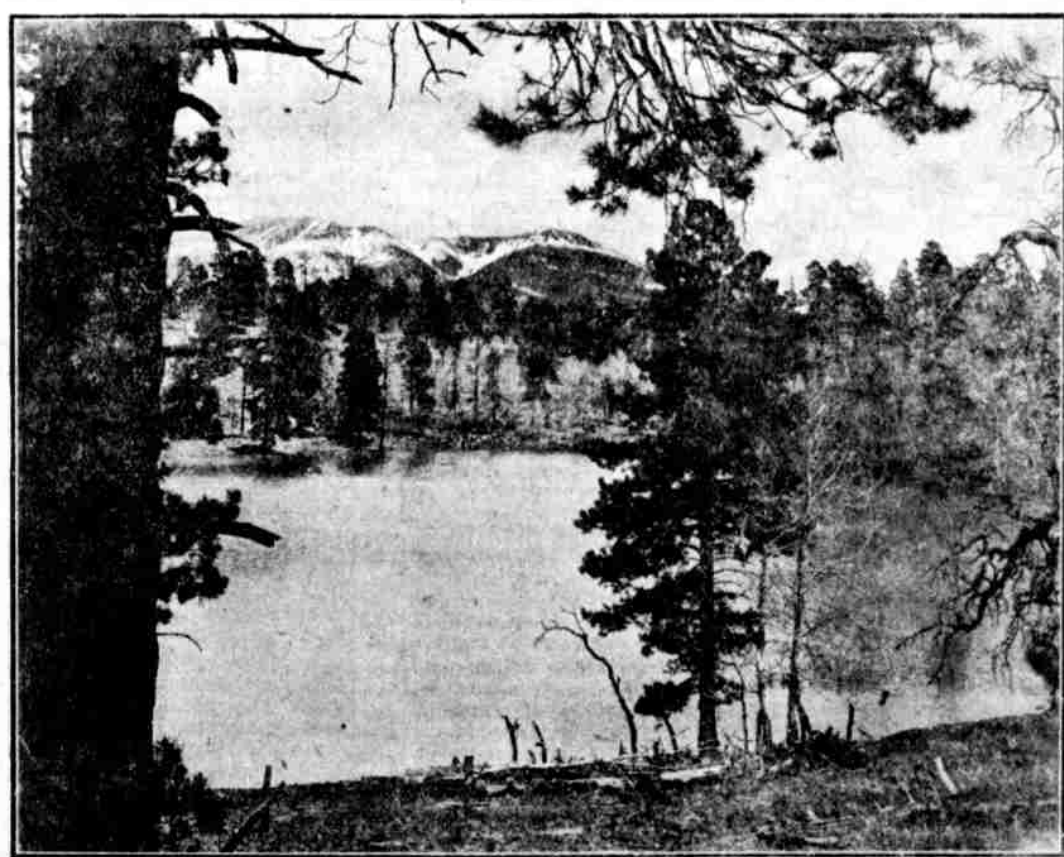
The lady who lost her cork leg can have it by applying at city hall.

A Mexican found the leg, with foot attached, near the railroad track here in town the other morning. It is a very nice looking leg, shapely and neat, and perhaps its loss is causing its owner some inconvenience.

It may have belonged to someone passing through on a train, who had a nightmare and kicked through the window, or it may be that it is the property of some Flagstaff woman whose husband threw it at a cat. As far as the staff of The Sun knows, not many of our ladies wear cork legs, that is, we say, as far as we know. But then, we are not supposed to know. Nevertheless, if we can be of any assistance in restoring the leg to its owner, and if our devil can be of assistance in strapping it back into place, all you have to do is to notify us.

## MILTON ROAD PAVING TO BEGIN NEXT WEEK

Work of paving the rest of Milton road from the end of the present paving west to the city limits will begin next week. There is about a half mile on this job. Harold Ryan, an old chum at the University of Arizona of City Clerk Clarence T. Pulliam, is here to get things started and will remain until the completion of the work, which will be in charge of Bobby Baker, who will be here soon. Superintendent VanDoorn, who had charge of the paving work here last year, is now handling a big paving job in Prescott.



## MAY BECOME A PART OF FLAGSTAFF WATER SYSTEM

Crater Lake, a natural 6,000,000 gallon reservoir, a thousand feet above and nine miles in a direct line from Flagstaff. It is this reservoir, with the trench collecting system built by Charles H. Spencer, owner of the water development rights, that the Santa Fe railroad company engineers believe should be used to supplement Flagstaff's present water supply. The railroad company has offered, providing the city council favors the plan and necessary tests are successful, to finance the project, the city to operate it as part of its water system.

## MRS. J. H. HOSKINS, FORMER RESIDENT, DIES IN ST. LOUIS

Word was received this week by T. A. Riordan that Mrs. J. H. Hoskins, an early-day resident of Flagstaff, had passed away in St. Louis on May 8th.

Many old-time friends in Flagstaff will remember Mrs. Hoskins, whose husband organized the Arizona Central bank in Flagstaff in the 80's.